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FOR: NON-MASSING TOUGHENERS FOR

POLYAMIDES

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents—Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 24, 2001, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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-ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention relates to polymeric co-grafting of massing polymers and copolymers of ethylene and one or more α -olefins having at least 4 carbon atoms. The cografts are useful as tougheners for polyamides.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 10, 13 and 16.

Please amend claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A polymeric toughening agent useful for improving the impact properties of polymeric compositions, comprising,

(a) a copolymer of ethylene with one or more olefins having at least 4 carbon atoms and having a density of 0.930 to 0.880 g/cc and a melt index (MI) of

0.01 to 50 dg/min at 190°C, 2.16 Kg;

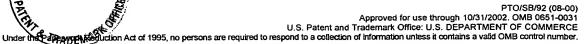
a massing polymer selected from a copolymer of ethylene with one or more (こんしん) しんしん しんしん coletins having at least 3 carbon atoms and having a density of 0.850 to 0.880

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